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FCC REQUESTS NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON OPEN INTERNET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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In this Public Notice, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) seeks nominations for membership on its Open Internet Advisory Committee (OIAC), which is discussed in the Commission's Order on Preserving the Open Internet (Order).¹ Interested parties should submit nominations in accordance with the procedures outlined below.

The OIAC will be a Federal Advisory Committee that will assist the Commission "in tracking developments with respect to the freedom and openness of the Internet, in particular with respect to technical standards and issues relating to mobile broadband and specialized services."² The OIAC is to be comprised of "consumer advocates; Internet engineering experts; content, application, and service providers; network equipment and end-user device manufacturers and suppliers; investors; broadband service providers;"³ and others, as described below.

OIAC MISSION

The OIAC will aid in tracking and evaluating the effects of the Commission's Open Internet rules.⁴ Specifically, it is anticipated that "[t]he Committee will observe market developments regarding the freedom and openness of the Internet and will focus in particular on issues addressed in the FCC's Open Internet rules, such as transparency, reasonable network management practices, differences in treatment of fixed and mobile broadband services, specialized services, technical standards, and the state of competition."⁵

¹ *Preserving the Open Internet, Report and Order*, 25 FCC Rcd 17905, 17962, 17965-66, 17989, paras. 104-105, 113-114, 162 (2010) (*Open Internet Order*).

² *Id.* at 17989, para. 162.

³ *Id.*

⁴ *See* 76 Fed. Reg. 22395, 22396 (Apr. 20, 2011).

⁵ *Id.*

MEMBERSHIP

The Commission seeks nominations for membership on the OIAC from the following types of groups and individuals:⁶

- Consumers, consumer advocates, and/or organizations representing consumer interests;
- Internet engineering experts;
- Providers and developers of online content, applications, or services;
- Network equipment providers, developers, manufacturers, and suppliers;
- End-user device developers, manufacturers, and suppliers;
- Investors in Internet-related technologies, services, and products, including investors in broadband providers and/or online content, application, and services providers;
- Broadband Internet access service providers; and
- Other individuals with appropriate expertise.

In addition, all applicants are advised that the Commission adheres to the President's policy, as announced in his memorandum of June 18, 2010, "Lobbyists on Agency Boards and Commissions," prohibiting federally registered lobbyists from serving on federal agencies' advisory boards and committees. Registered lobbyists are thus ineligible to serve as members or representatives of members of the OIAC. Subject to this limitation, the Chairman of the Commission will appoint the members of the OIAC to serve on the Committee for a minimum period of two years. The Chairman also will appoint a member of the Commission's staff to serve as the Designated Federal Officer for the OIAC, who will moderate and direct its work, including approving the creation of subcommittees, as appropriate.

NOMINATIONS AND DEADLINE

Nominations for OIAC membership should not exceed two pages, and should include the nominee's name, title, and organization, if appropriate, as well as the nominee's postal address, e-mail address, and telephone number. The person or entity submitting the nomination should also include a statement of the nominee's specific expertise relevant to the OIAC, the specific issues among those listed above that are of interest to the entity submitting the nomination or to the nominee individually, and a description of the nominee's qualifications to serve on the OIAC. Individuals may self-nominate; be nominated by an advocacy organization, employer, trade association, or other entity to serve on such entity's behalf; or be nominated by a third party. Nominations should indicate whether the nominee would be appointed for his or her own expertise and individual views, or whether the nominee would be serving in a representative capacity on behalf of an entity. If self-nominating, the nominee should include a statement indicating a willingness to serve on the Committee for a two-year term of service, and a commitment to attend approximately two (2) one-day meetings per year in Washington, D.C. A sample nomination form is attached and may be used, but is not required. Nominations submitted by a third party should include as much of the above information as possible.

⁶ *Open Internet Order*, 25 FCC Rcd at 17989, para. 162.

The Commission must receive nominations by **11:59 PM, EST, September 1, 2011**. The nominations may be sent via e-mail to OIAC@fcc.gov or via U.S. mail to the Federal Communications Commission, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Attn: Ellen Satterwhite, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. We strongly encourage submission by e-mail, in part because, due to the extensive security screening of incoming mail since September 11, 2001, delivery of mail sent to the Commission may be delayed. FCC staff will send an email acknowledging receipt of any nomination received by e-mail.

Please note that this Notice is not intended to be the exclusive method by which the Commission will solicit nominations and expressions of interest to identify qualified candidates. However, all candidates for membership on the OIAC will be subject to the same evaluation criteria.

APPOINTMENTS

The Commission will publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the appointment of OIAC members and the first meeting of the Committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Satterwhite, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, FCC, ellen.satterwhite@fcc.gov, 202-418-3626.

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**OPEN INTERNET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NOMINATION FORM (OPTIONAL)**

NOTE: Nominations may be made by an individual or by an organization suggesting a nominee.

Name of Nominee: _____

Name of Nominator [if different than Nominee]: _____

Organization and title (of Nominee): _____

Check here if nominee would be representing the above organization: _____

Business address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact telephone numbers and information (*please indicate preferred contact method):

Business: _____ Home: _____

Cell: _____

Email: _____

Affiliation or identification (check all that apply):

- _____ Consumer/consumer advocate/representative of consumer interests
- _____ Internet engineering expert
- _____ Provider or developer of online content, applications, or services
- _____ Network equipment developer, manufacturer, or supplier
- _____ End-user device developer, manufacturer, or supplier
- _____ Investor in Internet-related technologies, services, or products, including investor in broadband providers and/or content, application, service, or device providers
- _____ Broadband Internet access service provider
- _____ Other individual or organization with relevant knowledge and expertise.
Please specify:

Statement of interest and commitment to serve for a 2-year term and ability to attend at least two meetings per year (may add additional information on one separate sheet if necessary):

Signed: _____

Date: _____